

New Development Efforts in GridFTP

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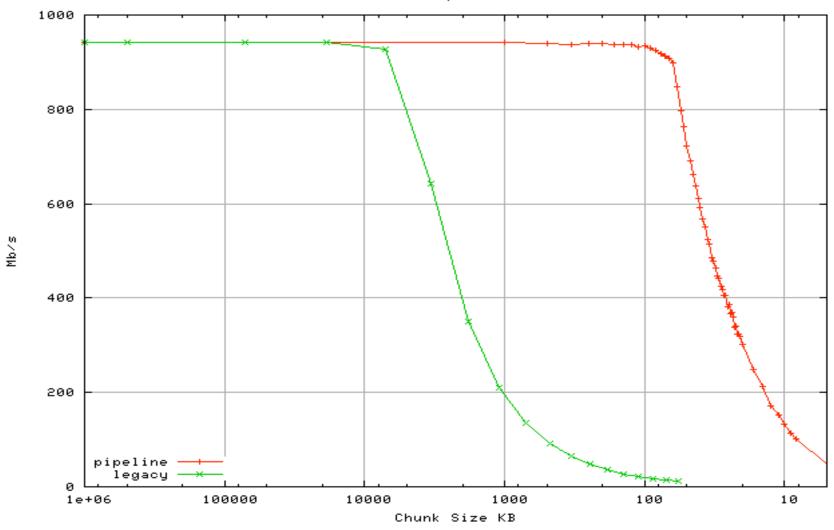
New Features

- Pipelining the file transfer
 - Better throughput for lots of small files transfer
- Alternate security mechanisms
 - GridFTP over SSH
 - Add functionality to globus-url-copy and globusgridftp-server allowing the control channel connection to be formed with an ssh session.
 - No proxies, certs, or CAs are needed for a secure control channel.
 - If you can ssh to the host, you can establish a secure GridFTP session.

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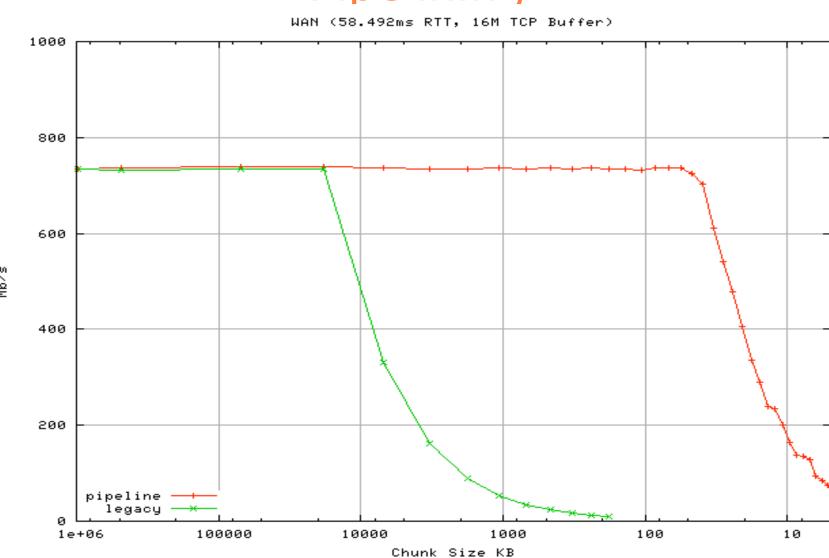
Pipelining

LAN (0.297ms RTT, 128K TCP Buffer)



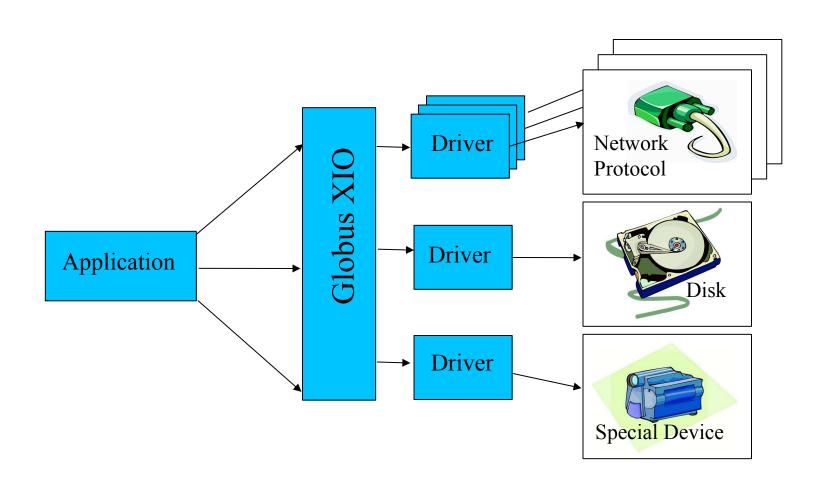
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Pipelining





Configurable Protocol Stack





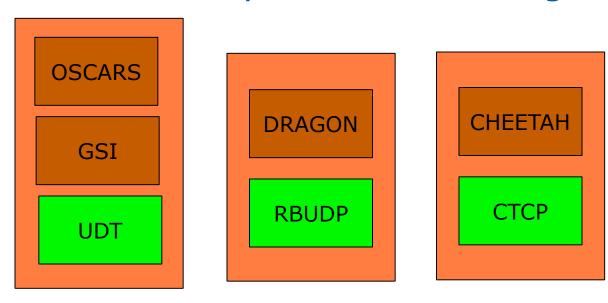
GridFTP over UDT

- Easy way to write XIO Drivers
 - Create from third party libraries.
- Blocking API
 - Thread pooling/event call-backs to morph async to sync
 - Recommend threaded builds
- Created an UDT driver

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GridFTP over Lightpaths

- To minimize changes to the application, this can be implemented as an XIO driver
- Users might want to use more aggressive transport protocols like RBUDP, UDT etc
- XIO stack used by GridFTP is configurable



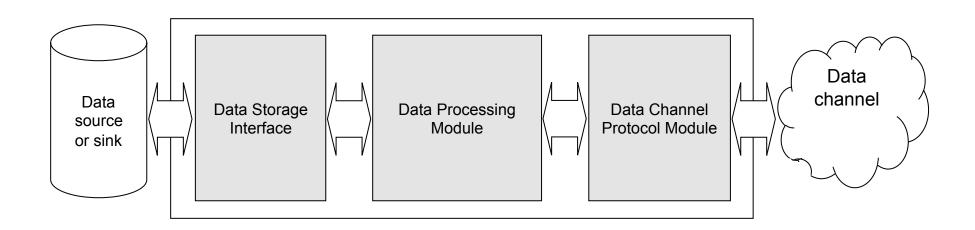


Other New Features

- Working with the DRAGON group to create an XIO driver
- Data Storage Interface
- Several can be available and loaded dynamically via the ERET/ESTO commands
- Anything that can implement the interface can be accessed via the GridFTP protocol
- We have implemented
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Data Transfer Process





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